

CHINA PREPARES FOR WAR

PLACES URGENT ORDER FOR QUICK-FIRING GUNS IN PARIS.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, Jan. 17.—China has placed an important, urgent order for quick-firing guns in Paris. Whether the guns are purchased owing to the acute relations between China and Japan, or on account of internal troubles in China, is unknown here.

CONFESSES TO FAKE ROBBERY

(By Associated Press.)
MARYSVILLE, Cal., Jan. 17.—R. W. Harwood, who was beaten insensible while driving a United States mail wagon last Tuesday night from the depot to the postoffice, made a confession today to Inspector Coyne and the city marshal. He stated that the robbery was planned Thanksgiving day by he and Joe Reilly. Reilly had taken a man named Godfrey into his confidence and it was the latter who beat him. They secured about \$600. Harwood and Godfrey are in jail. The former will be brought to San Francisco tomorrow to stand trial. Reilly has not been located.

MINERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

(By Associated Press.)
PITTSBURG, Jan. 17.—The Catsburg mine of the Monongahela Consolidated Coal and Coke Company, located at Monongahela City, Pa., sixty miles south of here, is reported burning tonight. Forty men were at work in the mine, but whether they perished is not known. Exploring parties started in a search of the mine from three entries and material for extinguishing the fire is being hurried to the scene.
Later it was learned that all the miners known to have been in the fire, are accounted for, having escaped at the two lower entries. The fire is believed to be under control.

TORPEDO FLOTILLA JOINS THE FLEET

(By Associated Press.)
RIO JANEIRO, Jan. 17.—The American battleship fleet was joined today by the torpedo boat flotilla, numbering six vessels, which arrived from Pernambuco. The torpedo boat Hopkins will go into dry dock in order to have a new propeller put in place. Commander Cone of the flotilla stated today that the little vessels will remain at Buenos Ayres for four days.

MORMONS BUSY IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—A number of Mormon missionaries, young men of German nationality, are carrying on a propaganda in Berlin. They make a house-to-house canvass, presenting themselves at every apartment.
The missionaries have rented a house in the center of the city, which is used as a headquarters, and here the greatest activity can be seen at any time. The conduct of this propaganda by Germans is possible because the expulsion order issued by the police in 1903 applies to foreigners only.

SENSATIONAL STRIKE IS MADE AT MANHATTAN

ASSAILANTS OF EDITOR SUSPENDED

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 17.—Inspector of Police Edward Whitaker was today suspended with five of his detectives for shooting at Editor Joseph Loveque of the Morning World last night. Edward Roberts, a copy reader, was identified today as the man who probably saved the editor's life.

AFTER MANY YEARS

MEN WHO COMMITTED JEWELRY ROBBERY IN LONDON ARE UNDER ARREST.

(By Associated Press.)
MERCED, Cal., Jan. 17.—It was reported here today that on last Sunday a Scotland Yard detective arrested two men here who are accused of having committed a \$200,000 jewelry robbery in London five years ago. The accused men, it is said, waived extradition, and expressed their willingness to return to London at once. It is further reported that the detective and his two prisoners left for New York City on Sunday night on the Santa Fe overland. The story did not become public until today. The city officials claim the men were arrested, but are unable to give their names or furnish further particulars and as a result verification of the story cannot be obtained.

Four years ago last April the home of a wealthy resident of London, England, was robbed of a large amount of jewelry valued at \$200,000. Simultaneously with the burglary, the groom and butler employed in the house disappeared. Detectives from Scotland Yard traced the men around the world. Sunday morning two men walked into a saloon on the main street and were about to take a drink when a third man entered and invited the others to drink with him. The stranger proved to be an English detective and the two others were the supposed burglars. The two men arrived here on the midnight train Saturday night from San Francisco.

SOLD STOCK THAT HE DID NOT OWN

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Chas. A. Stoneham, head of the brokerage house of O. F. Jonasson & Co., was arrested today on an order made by Supreme Court Justice Greenbaum in a civil suit in which Ernest S. Webster of Whiting, Vt., alleges that Stoneham fraudulently converted to his own use 1000 shares of the stock of the Frances Mohawk mine.
Webster, who is a farmer, says he had the stock deposited with D. Mackenzie & Co. of Goldfield, Nev., as collateral for a loan of \$400, but as he was paying Mackenzie 15 per cent interest he had Jonasson & Co. take up the loan, this firm offering to lend money on stocks at 6 per cent. When Stoneham got the stock, instead of holding it for Webster, he sold it on the San Francisco Mining Stock Exchange to a client of D. Mackenzie & Co. for \$984.50. He kept this money, it is alleged, but subsequently sent Webster \$100 as dividend on the shares to make him think the stock remained, in Webster's name.

Eight Inches of Gold Ore that Runs \$4 to \$6 per pound—Another Mill for the Camp Arrived Yesterday.

Manhattan is stalking to the front in a way that it seems impossible to check. If gold, and lots of it, gold of milling grade, and gold of high grade, and mills, will shoot a camp ahead into the limelight, Manhattan has all these qualities. Yesterday, or rather on the night shift of Thursday, on the Rose-Nash lease, the greatest strike which has yet been uncovered in the camp, was opened up. There were eight inches of gold ore which will go from \$4 to \$6 a pound.
A. D. Nash came in yesterday from the northern camp with a panning from the new find. It was one of the prettiest pannings ever seen, the pure, fine gold shimmering in the sand, just as it had been taken from the mortar.
"As far as they have gone," said Mr. Nash, "this will go from \$4 to \$6 a pound, and there are eight inches of the stuff. Yesterday there was shipped from the Lemon mill 521 ounces of bullion to the mint. This came from the Shea lease on Union No. 9, which is the old Manhattan Dexter. I brought in with me from lease No. 12, of the Dexter, a brick of 70 ounces.
"It is a remarkable thing to think that Dexter stock is selling for five cents a share, when we have more than that on the dump. I can show at least \$140,000 in ore on the dump of the Dexter, and that is only a portion of what we have in the mine. The Lemon mill is doing great work, and for the matter of that, so is the Wolf mill. There was another mill arrived at Manhattan this morning, the machinery having been brought in from Belmont. This makes the fourth mill for the camp. The new one is a small stamp mill, and is owned by local people, and is to be used for a custom mill. It is to be installed on the Buckboard claim.
"The camp, taken all in all, is looking well; in fact, it is getting better and better all the time, and it will not be more than a month or so that Manhattan will come into its own, and will be as predicted for it, one of the greatest gold camps, not only in the State, but in the entire country."

Receivers Are Put In Charge of Two Banks

(By Associated Press.)
OAKLAND, Jan. 17.—Judge Harris of the Superior Court today appointed James P. Edoff receiver for the California Bank, which suspended during the recent financial flurry. Edoff is vice-president of the Oakland Stock and Bond Exchange, and is a large stockholder in the Oakland Savings Bank. He was the candidate of the depositors' committee. Edoff has been ordered to report to Judge Harris every six weeks. His bonds were fixed at \$300,000.
(By Associated Press.)
BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 17.—George Montford was today appointed temporary receiver for the Exchange State Bank of Blaine, which closed its doors January 15th. The affairs of this bank are alleged to be in a hopeless tangle and the institution is practically without funds. Cashier O. C. Mathis disappeared the day before the bank suspended and his whereabouts are not yet known.

PILLSBURY TAKES OATH OF OFFICE

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Captain John E. Pillsbury today took the oath of office as chief of the bureau of navigation, as successor to Rear Admiral Brownson. By virtue of his new office Captain Pillsbury now has the rank and pay of a rear admiral.

MINING BUREAU BILL INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—A bill to create a bureau of mining technology was introduced today by Senator Dick. It assigns to such a bureau the duty of making exhaustive metallurgical investigation and administering to the mining interests of the country under a director who shall draw a salary of \$6000 per year.
Senator Dick also introduced a joint resolution creating a bureau of mining technology as a branch of the Geological Survey and requesting the director of the survey to report when such a bureau could be operated independently of that branch.

CANADA HAS BIG FAILURE

BANK, WITH ITS SEVENTY-SIX BRANCHES GOES INTO LIQUIDATION.

TORONTO, Can., Jan. 17.—The Sovereign Bank of Canada has gone into liquidation, and the Bankers' Association will take charge of its assets tomorrow morning. The bank has seventy-six branches in Ontario, Quebec, the Northwest and maritime provinces. The Sovereign Bank was organized in Toronto in 1904, with a capital of \$1,500,000, which was increased in 1906 to \$4,000,000. Since its reorganization, deposits have fallen off \$3,000,000.

TO CONTINUE WAR ON STANDARD OIL

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Armed with instructions and data against the Standard Oil Company, from which he demands \$80,000,000 more in fines, United States District Attorney Sims returned from Washington today to prosecute the case. He had passed a week in the capital, conferring with Attorney General Bonaparte on the best way to secure a conviction of the company which already is under \$29,240,000 arrears for rebating.
Attorney Sims announced that he would try the 4000 remaining counts against the Standard Oil Company as soon as they are reached on the court docket beginning early next week. The company is liable to a fine of \$20,000 on each of the 4000 counts pending. No effort will be made to call any of the cases until Attorney John S. Miller, who is at the Walsh trial, is at liberty. This will be next week.
Mr. Sims said he was confident that his office would be allowed additional appropriations asked for the employment of two additional assistants and other office help to aid in the war on the Standard. It is believed Judge Landis will hear the case, although, in view of his \$29,240,000 fine, the Rockefeller corporation may seek another jurist for the new rebating case.

PHONE GIRL GETS NICE INHERITANCE

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—"I guess I won't work any more," remarked Miss Rose Strants, as she resigned her position yesterday as telephone operator at the Palmer House. Then she told Manager Vierbuchen that she had inherited \$60,000 left by an uncle in the far West and had received the first installment of the money.
She invited her friends among the hotel employees to a theater, where they occupied two boxes, and after the show she gave them a ten-course dinner.
After the dinner she called an automobile, bade her friends goodbye and was driven to the residence of a friend. Her home is at La Porte, Ind.

TEACHERS ARE BECOMING SCARCE

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—The situation caused by the scarcity of teachers in the Chicago public schools reached a climax yesterday. In seventy-three rooms, chiefly in elementary schools, the officials found it impossible to provide teachers and had to dismiss the pupils for the day. More than 3000 school children spent the day at their homes or on the streets.
Altogether more than 140 vacancies were reported. Almost half of these were filled through the assignment of substitutes or by school principals, who took charge of the "disabled" rooms.

START SMELTER PROJECT

MINE OWNERS OF MONTANA RAISE MONEY FOR INDEPENDENT PLANT.

(By Associated Press.)
HELENA, Mont., Jan. 17.—That an independent smelter is to be erected here by the mine owners of the State of Montana seems an assured fact. After perfecting a temporary organization today to be known as the Montana Mine Owners Association, twelve of the leading mine operators tonight raised \$100,000. M. L. Hewitt is temporary president of the new company.

WALSH JURY IS STILL DELIBERATING

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—The Walsh jury not having arrived at a verdict as to the guilt or innocence of the former bank president, charged with having misused the funds of the Chicago National Bank, word was sent by Judge Anderson to those waiting in the court room at 5 o'clock this afternoon that he was about to go to his home in Indiana and that the finding of the jury, should they agree, would not be announced until after his return tomorrow morning.

TONG WAR IS ON IN CALIFORNIA

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—A tong war among the Chinese, evidences of a renewal of which have appeared in Sacramento and Oakland during the past few days, has broken out in San Francisco and tonight Luey Yen, said to be a member of the Hop Sing Tong, shot Lung Chow, foreman in the London Broom Factory in Jones alley, and Jung Ding, an employee of the same establishment. Lung Chow was shot through the neck and thigh and will probably die. Jung Ding was not seriously injured. Jung Ding belongs to the See Yups, and was the man Luey Yen was after. He shot Lung Chow by mistake. The murderer has not yet been arrested.

BETTER CONDITIONS NOW PREVAILING

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: "Progress is slow but each week brings a little improvement and confidence in the future grows more rapidly than current transactions. Loans in mercantile channels are now negotiated freely at little more than the normal rate, this facilitating proposed undertakings and making collections more prompt. A readjustment of wages is still contemplated by many producers before machinery will be started."
Bradstreets will say tomorrow: "A further easing in the financial situation and very general reports of improvement in collections are features. The failures in the United States for the week ending January 16, were 461 as against 435 last week. The Canadian failures this week were 44, against 63 for last week."

ROBBED AND KILLED.
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 17.—J. H. Lockhart died shortly after noon today at the Receiving hospital, where he was taken last night after being found lying in the street in front of 311 Hewitt street, with a fracture of the skull caused by some blunt instrument, and all of his money and valuable gone. He was evidently beaten by robbers. The police are without clues.